

FAMILY, FRIENDS GATHER FOR FIFTIETH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



On Wedding Day in 1907

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Van Camp (foreground) celebrated their golden Wedding Anniversary Saturday at which time they renewed their wedding vows with their maid of honor, Miss Bess Thompson, Torrance, (left) and best man, Allen A. Van Camp, Westchester, (rear, right).

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Van Camp, residents of Los Angeles since 1944, and recently located in Torrance, celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary Saturday, April 13, beginning with 8:30 a.m. Mass at St. Catherine Laboure church in Torrance, followed by a reception, dinner and evening reception at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Hawthorne.

The Van Camps were married 50 years ago on April 9, 1907, in Canton, S. D. He is retired real estate broker, and the couple are former residents of South Dakota and Omaha, Neb.

All ten of their children were present for the celebration together with most of their 41 grandchildren and 3 great-



50 Years Later

After fifty years of marriage, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Van Camp, reminisced Saturday, April 13, at the home of their daughter, Mrs. C. A. Dill, Torrance.

grandchildren. Relatives and friends came from as far as Vermont, where Van Camp's sister Kathryn Keenan resides. His sister Ella Quirk of Highmore, S. D. was also present, as well as Mrs. Van Camp's sister from Denver, Mrs. Edith McGinty.

They are the parents of three boys: Harry D., Torrance; John T., Tonopahm, Nev.; and Richard J., Las Vegas; and seven daughters: Mrs. W. L. Carl (Eileen), Lakewood; Mrs. A. F. Merkel (Charlotte), Houston, Texas; Mrs. W. E. Bitney (Dorothy), Hawthorne; Mrs. G. E. Martin (Georgia), Santa Ana; Mrs. L. W. Watters (Maxine), San Mateo; Mrs. Ed Swenson (Edith), Canoga Park; and Mrs. C. A. Dill (Kathryn), Torrance.

Club Hears Convention Report

At the regular noon meeting of the Torrance-Gardena Soroptimist club held April 15, delegates Margaret Neff, club president, Edna Walther, and LaVilla McMillan reported on the conference they attended April 12, 13, and 14 in San Diego.

LaVilla McMillan said it was "too bad that all could not attend as one gained so much." Service was stressed and several skits were put on.

Edna Walther reported that 96 clubs were represented, 279 voting delegates, 185 non-delegates, and 650 attended the last banquet. An honorary member, of La Jolla, Dr. Anita V. Figueredo, a noted surgeon and mother of seven children, gave an inspiring talk. American Federation president, Mrs. Emily N. Ziegler of San Diego, in her address, suggested giving a Soroptimist Manuel when initiating new members instead of a corsage as flowers die while the manual will live forever.

President Margaret Neff stated that quality in membership instead of quantity was stressed and that all problems arising in a club should be discussed at club meetings and not outside. She said that recommendations were made to have the By-Laws printed in a small book, to remind members to volunteer for committee work and to remember that attendance is the price of Soroptimism.

The next regular noon meeting will be at the Palms, April 22. Frances Stephan, a member, and principal of Robert E. Peary Jr. High school, will speak on "Report on the National Secondary School Principals convention."

One guest, Judith Ann Herron, daughter of member Margaret Herron, and one visiting Soroptimist, Kay Lynch, were present.

'HOW TO GROW PINEAPPLE' IS CLUB TOPIC

A regular meeting of the Beau Jardin club was held at the home of Mrs. John Beattie, 22419 Warmside ave., on Wednesday, April 10, with Mrs. John Beattie and Mrs. Albert Yackie as co-hostesses.

Mrs. Kenneth Harmon was the speaker for the evening. Her topic was "How to Grow Pineapple." She gave three methods of starting pineapple and then demonstrated her method of rooting. Mrs. Harmon also spoke on how to start an Albesia (or silk) tree. She passed out pods to everyone.

Amidst the decorous bunnies and chicks, an Easter egg hunting flower spelling game was played. The winner, Mrs. Kenneth Harmon, was awarded a Bush Morning Glory.

Door prizes of a bougainvillea and pansies were won by Mrs. William Cressy.

Present at the meeting were Meses. John Beattie, L. D. Burt, John Carrievau, William Cressy, Donald Drorbaugh, Kenneth Harmon, Leo Hayes, Robert Hill, Kenneth Moe, John Regan, William Singery, Fred Worgul and Albert Yackie.

The next meeting of the club will be April 24 at the home of Mrs. Fred Worgul, 22421 Redbeam, with Meses. John Regan and Fred Worgul as hostesses.



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COURT PLANS BREAKFAST FOR APRIL 28

Plans were announced for the 12th annual breakfast to be held April 28 at Club Alondra, Lawndale. This was to follow the 8 a.m. mass at Nativity church. Mrs. William Hardesty is chairman of the event assisted by Meses. Joseph MacDonald, Lyle O'Hara, Laurence Derouin, and John Melville.

Grand Regent Mrs. Joseph Terkman, will represent the court at the bi-annual conference in San Diego May 23-26.

Social chairman, Mrs. Weston, announced plans to give an Easter party to the women at Harbor General hospital this week.

A nominating committee composed of Mrs. Leonard Young, Mrs. Robert Lewelleyn and Mrs. Frank Forester was elected.

Expectant Mother's Class Starts

Spring classes for expectant parents will start in the Torrance Health district, April 18, 1 p.m., at the Torrance Health center, 2300 Carson ave.

Prospective parents are invited to the classes which meet every Thursday at 1 p.m.

"The classes in no way take the place of regular care by a qualified physician," Dr. B. A. Kogan, district health officer, said, "but are an educational service of the County Health department, planned to help

parents meet the physical and emotional needs of the infant and growing child."

Miss Janice E. Hopkins, public health nurse-instructor, who has conducted classes previously, will be in charge. There are no text books to purchase, as the course consists of lectures and demonstrations. Motion picture films relating to mother and baby care will be shown and will cover such subjects as the health of the mother before and after the baby arrives, layettes, baby bath demonstrations and other care of the new infant.

ARTS AND CRAFTS CLUB MEETS AT WARD HOME

The Arts & Crafts Club of Torrance met in the Patio room at the home of Mrs. Hazel Ward for their regular meeting with Mrs. Ruth Hardin and Mrs. Vivian Cook hostesses.

Mrs. Eveline Palmer, co-owner of the Cherie's Knit Studio at Smith Bros. Fish Shanty, gave a demonstration of the Speed-O-Knit machine. Many interesting stitches and designs were shown. She brought several articles that had been made on the machine, to show the members the type of garments that could be completed.

The business session of the Club was conducted by the president, Vivian Cook. A money tree made by Ethyl Peverley was presented to Mrs. Cora Bohrer, in honor of her birthday.

The next regular meeting will be held April 26 at the home of Hazel Fossum with Mae Jones as co-hostess.

Present were: Leah Arterburn, Maybel Banks, Rolive Bever, Cora Bohrer, Lelia Everly, Hazel Fossum, Ruth Kilgore, Mary McDonald, Emily Middleton, Addie Paraks, Ethyl Peverley, Frances Snodgrass, Hazel Ward, Kay Robinson, Phyllis Peverley and Gertrude Trego.

SORORITY HOLDS JEWEL PIN CEREMONY

The Delta Gamma chapter of the Epsilon Sigma Alpha International sorority held its Jewel Pin ceremony on Monday, April 8, at 8 p.m. at 25929 Richville drive. Mrs. Winona Jackson presented the pins assisted by the Hostess Mrs. Thomas Colter.

Nominations of officers for 1957-58 concluded the meeting. The nominees were Mrs. P. M. Crossman, president; Mrs. Jack Clifford, vice-president; Mrs. Robert Mosher, recording secretary; Mrs. Thomas Colter, corresponding secretary; and treasurer, Mrs. E. C. Osterlind.

The group is planning a dessert for the rushees on April 23, 8 p.m. at Mrs. Kelsey's, 817 Madrid.

A Dinner Dance for Husband's will be held at the Hacienda, in San Pedro on May 11.

KAPPA DELTA

The South Bay Kappa Deltas will meet Wednesday, April 24, 7:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Charles E. Kelley, 217 Thirty-first, Manhattan Beach.

CARR OPEN HOUSE SET

Evelyn Carr elementary school open house is scheduled Tuesday, April 30, 7-9:15 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to visit the rooms and see the displays.

Primary displays will be shown 7-8 p.m. and the upper grade displays will be exhibited from 7-9:15.

GARDENA ALUMNI SCHEDULES INFORMAL DANCE

Gardena High School Alumni association is holding a get-together and informal dance on June 1, 9 p.m., at the Gardena Elk's Hall, Hobart blvd. and Market st.

Junior Garden Club Learns Flower Arranging

The Junior Greenthumbers Garden club heard Mrs. Charlotte Maben of the South Bay Garden club speak on flower arranging for their entries in the adult Greenthumbers flower show which is scheduled for May 11 and 12.

She arranged miniatures, arrangements in tall and low containers and dry materials. She also explained the method of drying flowers and weeds for arrangements.

Present for the instruction were: Thomas Paterson (acting president in the absence of Eddie Sellmeyer) and Misses: Mary Bristol, Nancy Drumright, Claudia and Susan Fitzgerald, Kathy Haley, Linda Haley, Alice Knight, Jo Kay Louvier, Pamela Nichols, Leslie Sautter, Cheryl Clemens, Diane Stafford, and a guest, Jeanne Allen.

Fuchsia Society Meeting Planned In Lomita

The executive meeting of the Lomita branch of the California Fuchsia society, was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Slaughter, 2345-237th st., on April 17.

The regular meeting of the society will be held at the American Legion Hall in Lomita on April 19.

Ken Terry will be the featured speaker of the evening. At the close of the meeting a flower sale will be held, and door prizes given, also birthdays will be announced and flowers or plants given to the lucky people.

Plans are being formulated for the annual Community Flower show June 22 and 23 at the Lomita Park. Mrs. Ella Stile is chairman.



Youth Makes Ready

Young people from the Torrance High School Baptist Youth fellowship packed their gear Monday, April 15, before leaving for a work project at the American Baptist Convention Indian Mission in the Sierras. They will return Saturday. Part of the delegation included Bob Boyd (kneeling) counselor; (l-r) Rev. Nathan Bond, Diane Swanson, Mrs. Pearl Simcock, girl's counselor; Judy Latta, president; Gary McKenzie, and Mike Cochran, vice-president.—Press Photo.

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